



SOUTHEAST NEWS

June 2006

Southeast Elementary School, 134 Warrenville Rd., Mansfield Center, CT 06250 423-1611

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As our school year draws to a close, I would like to thank all of the parents and guardians who volunteered to help the staff at Southeast provide an enriched experience for our children and families. I truly appreciate all the time and support you contributed to our staff, children and families. Your endless support and involvement in the programs and activities at Southeast helped us have a successful school year. It is nice to be partners in the education of "our children".

Once again I am inviting you to let us know how we are doing in meeting the needs of your children. Please feel free to share your thoughts with us through a note, phone call or informal visit whenever you are at Southeast. We welcome your input!

We wish you and your family a happy, healthy and fun-filled summer. Enjoy!

Sincerely,
Norma Fisher-Doiron

Make a Difference in a Child's Life Become a Foster Grandparent



The Thames Valley Council for Community Action (TVCCA) Foster Grandparent Program is looking for individuals over the age of 60 who need extra money and are interested in volunteering about 20 hours a week with children in a community setting. Additional benefits are offered.

This is a great opportunity to help other people and have the satisfaction of making a difference in a child's life.

Please call Lyn Robinson at (860) 425-6547 for further information.

Calendar of Events

June 2.....	Ice Cream Social 6:30-8:30 Scholastic Book Fair 6:00-8:00
June 5.....	Suzuki tour at SE 9:00-10:15 PTO Meeting 7:00
June 7.....	4th Gr. field trip to Pequot Museum9:00 Incoming Kindergarten Bus ride (by appointment)
June 8.....	Fun In Our Own BackyardBoard of Ed. Mtg. 7:30
June 9.....	Rain date for F.I.O.O.B.Y.MMS visits SE 4th grades
June 13.....	ATKA the Wolf Presentation
June 16.....	Book SwapDonuts for Dads3rd Gr. field trip to Mystic Seaport
June 19.....	2nd Gr. Pen Pal Picnic4th Gr. Moving On Ceremony 7:00
June 20.....	Last day of PreschoolRain date for 2nd Gr. Picnic
June 21.....	Preschool Screening by appointmentE. O. Smith Graduation 7:00
June 22.....	Preschool Screening by appointmentMMS Closing Ceremony 7:00
June 23.....	4th gr. Poetry DayPreschool Screening by appointmentMMS Class Night 5:00-9:00



MANY THANKS

To our parents who volunteer to help during these busy school days. And, of course, thank you to our PTO officers this year –

Co-Presidents.....Edmond and
Amy Chibeau

Vice President:.....Ronald Baker

Secretary:Monique Brown

Treasurer:..... Lesley Sweeney

Attendance Line/Nurse: 423-2793

Please visit our website www.mansfieldct.org/schools/southeast

FUN IN OUR OWN BACKYARD

Thursday, June 8th



This year Southeast Elementary School will be having FUN IN OUR OWN BACKYARD– a day filled with games, relays, and other activities on our school grounds.

Following our routine morning activities in classrooms, the BACKYARD festivities will begin at 9:30 a.m. Children will participate in games, relays, and other activities throughout the morning. At the conclusion of the morning activities, lunch and recess, children will participate in afternoon activities.

Please send your child to school dressed to be active and out-of-doors for the entire day. Comfortable play clothes are suggested. A hat, if already owned, is good protection from the sun. **SNEAKERS ARE REQUIRED** as they are for Physical Education, so no other shoe apparel, please.

Parents are welcome and needed to help with our activities. Help is especially needed from 9:15 a.m. to noon and from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. If you are able to lend a hand, please call and leave your name with Betsy Parker at 423-1611 ext. 125. Come and join in the fun!

We are looking forward to a lot of fun and excitement at FUN IN OUR OWN BACKYARD.

~ Miss Parker

Sunscreen must be applied at home. Mrs. Daniels

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

The last day of school for **Grades K-4** will be an early closing day- **June 26th**.

Grades K-4 will be dismissed at **12:45**

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The last day for **preschool** will be on **June 20th**.

The **A.M.** Preschool will dismiss at **11:50**

The **P.M.** Preschool will dismiss at **3:30**

## BUS SCHEDULES FOR NEXT YEAR

We are making plans for the bus routes for the coming school year.

Please let the office know right away if you are planning to move, or change bus arrangements or daycare providers.

**If we do not hear from you, we will leave pick-up and drop-off just as it is now (same babysitters, same days, etc.)**

Please help us make our transition into the new school year as smooth as possible.



## LOST & FOUND

Please ask your child to look through the Lost & Found table located in the parent pick-up area for any items he/she may have misplaced.

Any items not claimed by Thursday, June 8th, will be donated to Mansfield Youth Services.

## Your Kids NEED You!!



Double A Transportation is looking for safe drivers to join its family of school bus drivers.

What a great job for stay-at-home moms or dads who want to get out for a few hours each day and work in their own community. Driving a school bus is one of the few part time jobs that allow you to bring your children to work with you. Double A Transportation offers competitive wages, great benefits, including 401K and health insurance. We will train qualified candidates at no cost to you.

Call 1- 800- 563-3126 or  
1- 800 -789-R I D E ext. 225 today!

## STORIES FOR SOUTHEAST



### THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

We would like to thank the individuals below for their purchase of the following books for our school library:

- Everything Horse... in loving memory of Carol Anne Gifford... from Kelley Gifford;
- The Deep Blue Sea: A Book of Colors... To Candace Bishop... Thank you for everything that you have done for us and Southeast School! We will miss you! Aloha!... from The Green Thumbs Club;
- The Little Mouse, the Red, Ripe Strawberry, and The Big Hungry Bear... To Candace Bishop... Thank you for everything that you have done for us and Southeast School. We will miss you! Aloha!... from The Green Thumbs Club;
- Mummies, Pyramids, and Pharaohs... To Liam Hamilton-Happy 7<sup>th</sup> Birthday... from Mom and Taylor;
- My Great-Aunt Arizona... to Kristy Evans... She left Connecticut to go to Arizona - the perfect state for someone who loves books because it has everything from A-Z!... from the Southeast Staff;
- Stagestruck... To Gianni Romeo... Happy 7<sup>th</sup> Birthday! Keep up the hard work!... Love, Mom and Dad;
- Ten Little Fish... To Candace Bishop... Thank you for everything that you have done for us and Southeast School! Aloha!... from The Green Thumbs Club.
- The Fairytale Cake... For Abigail Ziemba... "A special little girl" ... from Aunt Anita Davis
- Henry and the Kite Dragon... For Zachary Ziemba on his 8th birthday... from Aunt Anita Davis
- Judy Moody Declares Independence... For Madison LeSage... Happy 8th birthday! We love you!... Love, Dad, Mom, and Ashley
- Mammoths on the Move... For Will Cooley on his 7th birthday... We love you, Mom, Dad and Katy
- Gus and Grandpa and the Piano Lesson... In memory of Conrad Daniels, a world traveler, man of faith and beloved family patriarch... From Norma Fisher-Doiron
- The Journey That Saved Curious George... In memory of Conrad Daniels, a world traveler, man of faith, and beloved family patriarch... From the Southeast PTO
- My Granny Went to the Market: A Round-the-World Counting Rhyme... In memory of Conrad Daniels, a world traveler, man of faith, and beloved family patriarch... From the Southeast Staff
- Ophie Out of Oz... To the Fourth Grade Students, June 2006... May your journey to MMS be as positive as your time spent at Southeast... From Vicki Daniels, School Nurse

If you are interested in purchasing a book for our library, please contact Mickey Maheu for information.

## Math-A-Thon a Big Success

Once again, the Southeast Community has generously contributed to St. Jude's Children Hospital. This year we collected over \$3500 in contributions. Thank you to all the children who worked long and hard to complete the Math-A-Thon Fun Books and CDs and to all the people who sponsored them.

~ Ellen Goldberg

## To the Many Volunteers Who Have Helped Us:



You've been so very good to us.  
You've been kind in every way.  
You've made us treats and helped  
On all our special days.  
Today we'd like to thank you  
For all you've done this year,  
And to tell you that you're special  
And so very, very dear.  
Today we'd like to tell you  
In our own special way:  
We appreciate the things you've done  
More than words can say.

## WE APPRECIATE YOU!!!

### Katie Ouimette Winner in Environmental Protection Agency Earth Artists Program

We are pleased to announce that the poster submitted by Katie Ouimette was selected from hundreds of entries all over New England and was one of only a few winners in her grade and state to be selected as a winner in the Environmental Protection Agency's Annual Paul G. Keough Earth Artists Program. Katie received a certificate recognizing her hard work, artistic creativity and interest in protecting the environment at a ceremony on May 22nd at the University of Hartford's Lincoln Theater.

Katie is a 3rd grade student in Mr. Hendricks' class. Her poster focuses on saving the animals by not polluting the earth.

